

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS29233 / H0538

This is one of a series of bills the Supreme Court has recommended in its annual report to the Governor concerning defects or omissions in the laws, as required by article V, section 25 of the Idaho Constitution. Currently, I.C. §§ 18-211(7) and 212(4) require the filing of three (3) copies of certain reports related to criminal defendants' mental fitness to proceed with their court cases. This requirement was originally intended to relieve court clerks of the work associated with making copies of these reports to be served upon the parties. Since these competency reports are now electronically served in Idaho's case management system, multiple copies are no longer necessary. Accordingly, this bill recommends removing the requirement to file "in triplicate" as found in I.C. §§ 18-211(7) and 212(4).

FISCAL NOTE

This proposed amendment will have no fiscal impact upon the General Fund, any other state fund, or local governments. Since the proposed amendment only seeks to eliminate an unnecessary requirement that multiple copies of certain reports be filed with the courts, neither an increase nor decrease in existing or future appropriations or revenues will result.

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